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- MLK Day - No school on Monday, January 20, 2020 in honor of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday.
- [D205 Operational Plan](#)
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New Items:

York Presents Crazy Uncle Fest

With Crazy Uncle Fest, York Drama is providing its students and audience a rare opportunity, Anton Chekhov's Uncle Vanya performed alongside the contemporary



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adaptation, *Life Sucks*, by Aaron Posner. *Uncle Vanya* is one of Chekhov's four master works, the story of that beloved, crazy uncle we all have. Chekhov serves us a blend of laughs and heartache as we watch Vanya dive into his mid-life crisis with a moment of existential angst. Aaron Posner's adaptation, *Life Sucks*, blows that word, contemporary, out of the water, taking the plot of *Vanya* and knocking down the 4th wall to include the audience in this exploration of love, loss and longing. *Uncle Vanya* will be performed Thursday and Friday, February 6th and 7th, at 7:30. *Life Sucks* performances are Saturday February 8th at 7:30 and Sunday February 9th at 2:00. All tickets are \$10 and will be available beginning January 16th at 6:00 PM at www.ticketpeak.co/yorkdrama or at York High School's Baker Auditorium on the night of the show.

REACH Identification and Appeal Information Mtg.

Parents of students in grades 2 and 5 will receive notification on February 3, 2020 by the end of the day if their child will participate in REACH for the 2020-2021 school year. Only students who will be participating in the program will receive notice. If you do not receive notification, you may file an appeal. The appeal window is from February 3-21. The form is on the [REACH website](#). There will be a brief informational meeting on the appeal process on January 13th at 7:00pm at Sandburg Middle School in the library. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact [Leslie Weber](#), Director of Curriculum.

Reminders:

York Basketball Alumni Night – January 16, 2020

York Basketball Alumni Night. All Alumni, friends, and family are invited to cheer on the Dukes vs. Oak Park River Forest on Thursday, January 16, 2020 at 7:30 PM in the Campbell Gym, to celebrate Alumni Night! The theme is 'Green Out' so be sure to sport your green gear for the game! [YCHSAA](#) (York Community High School Alumni Association) will be selling alumni items plus a basket raffle giveaway. Stop by the alumni table at the game for a ticket to win! Tickets are \$4 for adults; \$2 for senior citizens; student are admitted free with school ID.



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D205 Foundation Annual Gala Tickets Now Available

[2020 Fundraising Gala: Within Reach](#). The District 205 Foundation invites you to attend its Annual Fundraising Gala on February 8th at Medinah Country Club. Funds will support: 2020 Thiems Grants for teachers, MyOn digital libraries, virtual & augmented reality, and classroom digital display technology.

As in previous years, Golden Raffle tickets will also be sold prior to the event. \$100 per ticket; only 200 will be sold. Cash Prizes!! 1st- \$3,000; 2nd- \$2,000; 3rd- \$1,000. Prizes encouraged to be kept!

For event and raffle tickets or additional information please visit [2020 Fundraising Gala: Within Reach](#).

York Winter Softball Clinic Sign-up

The York Softball Winter Clinic will be held on two more Sundays in January: 1/19, and 1/26, from 8 a.m. -11 a.m. in the Field House. The clinic will be hosted by the York coaching staff, varsity players and a collegiate level pitching coach in the area. The cost is \$90 total for all three days, and it includes a "York Softball" T-shirt for each athlete (Youth Sizes: M-L, Adult Sizes: Small-XL).

If your child can only attend one or two of the dates, the registration fee is \$50. A t-shirt will still be included. Register using the [form link](#). Contact Coach Brendan Holba at bholba@elmhurst205.org with questions.

Chicago Wolves PTA Council Fundraiser – January 19, 2020

Join the District 205 students, families and friends for an afternoon of fun at a Chicago Wolves Hockey game on January 19, at 3 p.m. No school the next day!! A portion of the funds raised will go towards PTA council scholarships. These scholarships are given to graduating York seniors. Everyone will be seated in the same section and receive a free Chicago Wolves Hat. Stay after the game to get autographs from the players! To order tickets please see this link: <https://fevo.me/2IFV3cZ>. For any questions please email Dena Fasheh (denafasheh@gmail.com)



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Thrive D205 and the City of Elmhurst Commission on Youth Present: Legal Marijuana: What Does this Mean for Teens? – January 30, 2020

- Thursday, January 30, 2020
7-8 p.m.
Large Meeting Room at Elmhurst Public Library
Suitable for Parents and Teens

Matthew Quinn, LCPC and Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor, presents the changing landscape of marijuana and vaping use and legislation in Illinois. He offers guidance to parents for open discussions about this topic with their teens. D205 and City of Elmhurst officials also will be on hand to provide local statistics and assist with questions.

18th Annual PTA Council and D205 Summer Recreation Open House – February 4, 2020

Mark your calendar! You are invited to attend the 18th Annual Summer Recreation Open House on Tuesday, February 4, 2020 from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. at York High School. This is a free, one-stop-shop summer learning, athletic, and enrichment registration opportunity. All Elmhurst families and neighboring communities are invited to attend. Browse tables for various summer activities and camps for all ages and abilities. For more information, please visit facebook.com/sroh205.

5Essentials Parent Survey Reminder

The statewide Illinois 5Essentials Survey is now open for parents to share thoughts about your experiences with our schools. This survey provides critical input to help develop school improvement plans. The survey takes about 10 minutes. Your identity and survey responses will be kept completely confidential and will never be connected to you or your child.

To take the parent survey please visit <https://survey.5-essentials.org/Illinois/> and select the parent survey link. You will need to enter the county (DuPage) and school name.



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D205 and the Chicago Bulls Team Up to Start 2020 w/ Discount Tickets

Enjoy a legendary outing at a Chicago Bulls game with Elmhurst School District 205's students, faculty, family and friends. Share in the excitement of Bulls basketball and the NBA's leading entertainment experience.

Don't miss out on exclusive savings! [Purchase](#) tickets at a discounted price now for games in January 2020.